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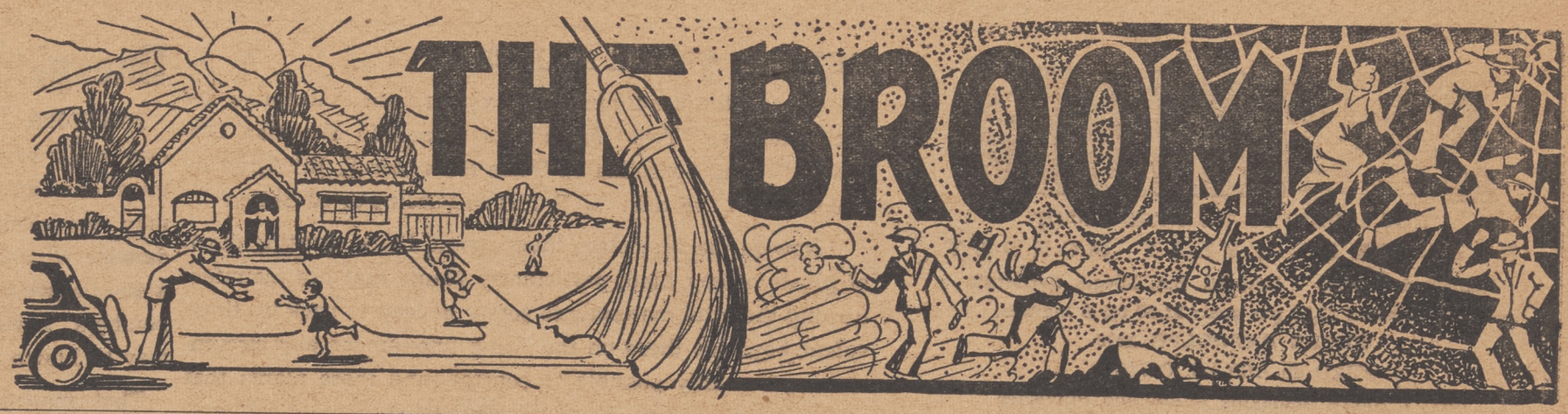

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Freedom Of Trade

(Extracts from "The Times" Leader of March 24, 1942)

"The principles of a common economic policy after the war—the ultimate hope of the nations now ranged against Hitlerism and the answer to the arrant pretensions of 'new orders' and 'co-prosperity spheres'—are defined in the Atlantic Charter, which has been endorsed not only by the whole English-Speaking world but by Soviet Russia and by the other allies. The goal in veiw is the 'enjoyment by all States, great or small, victor or vanquished, of access on equal terms to the trade and to the raw materials of the world'. But there may be danger, as the precedent of the Fourteen Points shows, in reaching the end of the war without any attempt to give concerte shape to agreed principles. Problems of future economic policy are likely to arise in the first instance as issues between Great Britain and the United States and any lingering apprehensions or suspicions of motive will be most easily removed by a better understanding of mutual difficulties. . . . .

"The Atlantic Charter, continuing the policy modestly begun in the Cordell Hull commercial agreements, constitutes a solemn resolve by the democracies to turn their backs on the bad legacy of the past twenty years—a legacy of ever mounting tariffs, restrictions, quotas, and controls. Whether these things were causes of the war or themselves merely symptons of some profounder cause, they are indelibly impressed on the consciousness of the world—and nowhere more surely than in the Untied States—as an integral part of the mad process which has led humanity to this second disaster. Fair-minded Americans have no hesitation in confessing their own country's share of responsibility in the stifling of world trade—Mr. Summer Welles did so most handsomely some weeks ago. But they expect that other countries, including Great Britain, will be equally frank in disowning past errors. They will frankly recognize that the Smoot-Hawley tariff was one of the factors which sent the British Commonwealth to Ottawa, provided they find British circles as ready to admit the demerits of the Ottawa policy as they are themselves to denounce those of the Smoot-Hawley tariff.

"No country can sell to the rest of the world more than it is willing to buy from it. Clearer recognition of this elementary principle might have saved the great trading nations from many misunderstandings and many false starts in the decade before 1939. After the war the balance of payments between Great Britain and the United States will require careful adjustment in the light of new and unfamiliar conditions. These condtions cannot be as yet wholly foreseen and depend in part on the policy adopted in the meanwhile by both countries. But nothing is likely to alter the basic fact that there has been a reversal, between Great Britain and the United States, of the traditional roles of creditor and debtor. The economic and financial implications of the change will have to be studied on both sides with care and forbearance if serious misunderstandings are to be avoided.

"On the British side the first need is therefore to approach the problems of post-war economic policy with the ungrudging recognition that the world—and Britain with it—has drifted, or been forced, on the wrong path and that to continue on that path can lead only to renewed disaster. The future must be faced by the great English-speaking democracies in the spirit not of bargaining for advantages but of co-operating for objects common to both. The Balflour Note of twenty years ago has been forgiven but not forgotten, and is a model of what we must avoid if now fading suspicions of the 'Treasury mind' and too-clever-by-half diplomacy are not to revive. Equally deplorable is the tendency, emphatically depreciated by Mr. Winant in one of his speeches, to conceive the commercial policy of the future in the form of a 'trade dog-fight'. Neither the United States nor Great Britain—nor a fortiori the rest of the world—can afford to return after the war to a system of unrestricted cut-throat competition, whether between trading companies, trusts and cartels, or between national trade monopolies, using tariffs, quotas, bounties, and subsidies as weapons in the struggle for export markets.

"The study of these issues while it may be usefully initiated in the field of Anglo-American relations, cannot stop there. In these relations the British Dominions rightly and necessarily play a large and significant part. The problem of the Ottawa agreements has begun to solve itself. What is now needed is not so much to abandon these agreements but to expand them into the wider framework of commerical relations between the British Commonwealth and the United States—a process tentitively started in the trade agreements of 1938. But this too is not enough. Europe and the world would be quick to resent any hint of a plan by the English-speaking countries to dominate world trade or to claim exclusive advantages for themselves. The divergencies of commercial policy and organization between Soviet Russia and the Western democracies will probably be diminished by war-time co-operation and are in any case no bar to the wider development of trade relations. The Atlantic Charter itself has pronounced against the exclusion of any country 'great or small, victor or vanquished'. Nor can our problems find a solution on any narrower basis. It is only through increased consumption and expanding markets, bringing—in the words of President Roosevelt's address to the International Labor Organization—"a more abundant life for the masses of the people in all countries", that we can hope to restore the equilíbrium of international trade and exchanges without once more imposing on national economics those intolerable strains which prompted the disastrous restrictive policies of recent years." (Reprinted from "The Free Trader".)—The People's Advocate, Adelaide, Australia.

Organized Labor Is Effect of a Cause

The Victims of Exploitation, Workers Band Together to Secure Larger Share of Results of Their Toil

Labor unions, like poverty, do not "just happen"; they spring from conditions. Since they are but the effect of a cause, labor unions in one form or another will continue to exist until the cause is removed.

Members of labor unions are not fiends incarnate; they are human, the same as members of a church, lodge or other organization. Labor union members, realizing they are the victims of exploitation, have banded together, not for the purpose of defying the laws of society, but in order to secure a larger share of the product of their toil. For this they are to be commended, rather than condemned.

That the ranks of organized labor have become a fertile field for racketeering is not to be denied, but to condemn all

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Seek Bill of Rights Unit !

Another project under discusion is the creation of a committee on the Bill of Rights, which would keep the executive agencies of the Government under constant surveillance to prevent infringement of the fundamental liberties safeguarded by the Constitution. Sen. Millard E. Tydings (D) of Maryland, is credited with the authorship of this proposal to protect the civil liberties from the encroachments of Government in the guise of war necessity.

The Administration's attack on newspapers, which culminated recently in a suit to subject the Associated Press to Governmnet control, and the implications in a recent Justice Department indictment charging 28 individuals with conspiracy to undermine the morale of the armed forces have caused great apprehension in Congress as to the future of civil liberties in this country.

The results of Nov. 3rd's election gave no support to the theory advanced by New Dealers that Members of Congress in time of war should do the President's bidding without asking questions. Exclusively in the Senate and generally in the House the political casualties were yes-men. Such Roosevelt rubber stamps as Senator Clyde L. Herring (D), of Iowa; Senator George W. Norris (Ind) of Nebraska; Senator William H. Smathers (D) of New Jersey; Senator Josh Lee (D) of Oklahoma, and fromer Senator Mathew M. Neely (D) of West Virginia, were defeated in senatorial contests.

The Republicans scored their Senate gains in Deleware, Iowa, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oklahoma, South Dakota, West Virginia and Wyoming.—Times-Herald, Washington ,D. C., Nov. 5, '42.

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A BROOM IN REALITY

Some comment has come from our subscribers on the articles that are now appearing in the Broom. Some have said it comprises too much "lifting" from other papers and periodicals, others like the idea, saying it embodies in a more or less compact form, the views of many different editors and writers over the country.

Be that as it may, there are several reasons why this policy is being followed particularly at this time. The main reason is to enable us to get interesting material for our readers by the quickest possible method, having little time to devote to writing or reporting in order to obtain subjects.

Another is to show the trend of thought of the nation is along real American lines, in idea, ideals and principle, which the Broom has always followed and is following most closely today. And still another, is the fact that the Broom is under constant scrutiny of the P. O. Department, and most of the material now appearing therein has appeared as second-class mail matter before, which should assure the speedier OKing of the Broom for mailing, and giving the paper the better chance of its continuing being sent as sceond-class mail to you readers—although being no absolute guarantee. Be it understood, however, that we do not presume for a moment, that because all articles that have previously gone thru the mail is any guarantee either of every one of them being on the up and up—so articles appearing in the Broom are carefully selected, and some times even slightly edited again,—after all we want to try to continue to keep the Broom coming to you. Then you might say there is another reason—that we are really making a real Broom of the paper, in that we are "sweeping" material for your benefit from hither, thither and yon—so we hope you stick with us as subscribers, helping us in our feeble way to carry on the fight for all the freedoms that mankind has a right to enjoy.

ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT

Since I have been acting as the editor of this paper, I have received many, many encouraging letters and postal cards, as well as verbal encouragement in this pinch-hitting job. I have acknowledged the verabl ones, of course, but the written ones, I have not—so I am taking this means of extending my acknowledgement of those letters and P. O. cards and thank you for the encouraging words therein and thereon—and maybe I'll get around to answering each one of them personally. I do want you to know that each and every letter and postal have been received with the greatest of consideration and appreciation—a pat on the back does wonders.

Roy O. Akers.

GETTING AT THE SOURCE

Among the headlines in the very recent daily press are such items as "Two War Plants Closed In Foreman Dispute", "Texas Consolidated 'Fake Show for F. R.' Aired by Union Man", and then "U. S. to Tap Public For 10 Billion"

Now in the first place there should be no shutting down of plants of any kind, particularly plants that are manufacturning the vital materials so sorely needed to back up those valent boys out there on the firing line—under any circumstances, humanly possible to control—and those plants that are open for business should not be putting on any 'fake' production shows. All war plants that are taking public money should be told in no uncertain terms to get in there and pitch and give the American soldier ever ounce of support that that plant can possible give, and at the same time give the American tax-payer and bond buyer a dollar's worth of service and material for every dollar paid.

These labor disputes in some instances may be justified, they surely can be settled without slowing up production or the labor mediators are mighty weak sisters some place, but there certainly is no excuse for 'fake shows' to make believe there is more finished production coming off the assembly line than there actually is—which only serves one purpose—that of increased profits for the cost-pluser.

Now then what does all this sum up to—well just this—Labors' stopping of war production and fake shows added to the tremendous profits in the cost-plus contracts for war goods, not only is by and large the cause of so-called inflationary condition, and by and large the cause of establishing or dis-establishing rather, a basic wage yard-stick for all industry, including farm labor—but it makes it necesary to "Tap The Public For Another 10 Billion".

Lets get at the source of this trouble, as we have editorially advocated before—lets cut out the very poor business methods of handling our war material production program. It will not only save us billions of dollars, but will eliminate labor disputes both on the farm and in factory, elminate any encouragement for fake shows, elminate enormous unearned profits, —and above all it will get this business at hand and our paramount job—completed promptly. Yes—let's take that stitch in time—get at the source.

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MAN'S BIRTHRIGHT—HIS FREEDOM OF CHOICE

Many and various are the schools and cults that teach Physical and Mental Culture, Healing, Concentration, Psychology, Telepathy, Spirit and Occult Phenomena. Applied Sciences, Determinalism and Sociology, Economics and Eugenics, Eexology and Theology, Cosmology and Religion, Symbolism and the Art of Living, and many more studies, but, tho partly true in principle, they fall short as to application, and prove their premises to be theoretic—just an idea.

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Unexploded Bomb

EDITOR'S NOTE: Did it ever occur to you that in the event of an air raid your home may survive the raid with no damage whatsoever, and that a day or two after the enemy bombers have departed, it may be blown to bits?

That may happen. When it does, the answer will be the unexploded bomb, the UXB. In last week's article we told you about the UXB and why it is the most dangerous and devastating of modern war's weapons. In this article, in of a series authorized by the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense, for the Ninth Civilian Defense Region, we will tell you about the organization working to render the bombs impotent.

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Unexploded bombs which have come howling down out of the skies during an air raid are not found lying on the surface of the ground.

Instead they will come crashing through the roofs of homes, factories, or buildings, tear through the limbs of trees and bury themselves from 15 to 60 feet deep in the ground.

Almost always they leave indications of their passage. It is these indications, which if promptly reported, begin a series of coordinated and planned operations in your defense. When your Air Raid Warden has reason to believe that an UXB has fallen in his area, he has been instructed to immediately call the control center of your civilian defense council. The Control Center will dispatch a Bomb Reconnaissance Agent to make a thorough investigation of the scene and decide whether the hole through the roof, the living room floor, basement or pavement was caused by the passage of a bomb, or whether it was caused by a chunck of concrete blown from an actual nearby explosion.

Bomb reconnaissance agents have been carefully chosen by your Civilian Defense Council and given a special course of training by the U. S. Army to prepare them for their duties. If the Bomb Reconnaissance Agent decides that an UXB does exist, he will instruct the Air Raid Wardens

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to remove the residents from the area where the UXB has planted itself. Thus you will be told that you must grab a suitcase of clothes and move out of your home, along with your family and your neighbors for a considerable area around the unexploded bomb.

You will have to find residence somewhere else in the city. Maybe you won't enjoy doubling up with Aunt Minnie's family for a week or ten days, but it will be a lot better than sitting on the proverbial "keg of Dynamite", that may go off at any moment and blow up you, your family and the whole neighborhood. If you have no place to go, your Civilian Defense Council will assist you in finding quarters.

Auxiliary police will be sent to the scene to rope off the area, direct traffic from the evacuated territory and to that your home possessions will be protected while you are away. The control center of your Civilian Defense Council will also notify the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense headquarters nearest your city, which in turn will call for the expert assistance of the Bomb Disposal Unit of the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army.

At this point the U. S. Army will take over and it will be the Army's job to take such measures as may be necesssary to remove the planted bomb. In case a number of UXB have fallen, it may be a week or more before the Army can take care of the one which has disrupted your life. But you must stay away from your home until you are notified by the authorities that it is safe for you to return.

Every citizen has a responsibility to perform in connection not only with the UXB but with all other instruments of war which may fall during an air raid. This responsibility will be outlined in next week's article. If you fail in your responsibility, in performing the simple part you have to play, the rest of the protective force set up to save you, your family and neighbors, probably won't have a chance to function and you all may be killed. It is your responsibility to know what to do and to do it when the moment for action arrives.

AN AMERICAN VICTORY

The * * * * Nudeal came in for a house cleaning last Tuesday (Nov. 3) when Americans asserted themselves and swept out Nudealers in a rather wholesale way. It was not actually a Republican victory tho the people turned to that party as the only effective way to protest the wanton waste and the usurpations of undelegated powers that have continued for the past ten years. It was an American victory rather than a partisan victory.

The way Hamliton Fish and Tom Dewey walked away from their opponentss was heartening indeed to the friends of good government. Let the balance of power be fairly evenly divided and we are assured of fairly good government regardless of who is in power.

The rise of one-party government has everywhere destroyed the civil and religious liberties of every people where it has gained ascendency and there is no question that one-party government had made great strides here. That is now definitely repudiated by the electorate.

The rise of one party rule has wrought economic ruin to all nations, both those which fell into its clutches and those which did not. It has wrought moral ruin on the world front and it will take vastly longer to recover from the normal ruin created than it will to recover from the economic ruin.

The star of Americanism has not set. On the contrary it is shinning noticably brighter as returns come in. Internationalism has received the setback that was due it several years ago. They will move more cautiously hereafter but don't think for a minute that they will drop their world government plans for they will not.

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Some Other Opinions

"WHAT FOOLS THESE MORTALS BE"
This elevator service, said the Man
From Mars, pays for itself in higher rent.
Why could not highways, on the selfsame plan,
Finance themselves? The un-earned increment
The building of highways always creates,
Should not line PRIVATE pockets, and the cost
Saddled upon the unsophisticates
Who think what Rent has gained **they** have not lost!
He is too blind to see what can be seen
By any one who knows his Henry George;
So he prefers the tax on gasoline
To making landed profiteers disgorge
Their unearned loot, and build the road, tax free.
What fools! said Puck, What fools these moratls be!
—Horaito.

Horato is bound to give me ammunition for continued assaults on Poetic Economics. His choice of elevator service as illustrating a lesson in rent is unwise, since it tangles in the widespread confusion between rent of buildings, which is really interest on investment in labor and capital, and rent of land, which is income on social values.

I recently told the 'Forum' editor that a similar error of his was equivalent to arguing for Communism. But young Horatio,—a callow fellow of only about 75—makes a worse mistake right in this short poem. He chides an anonymous person who thinks that **what rent has gained—he has not lost!** Horrible thought. He may have this editor in mind. He has publicly asserted that no one ever lost anything to rent, because rent is paid only for high productivity of land—always as high as the rent. So only in poetry or dreamland is there any thing to pay.

From the lines following the 'Horrible Example', it appears that Horatio is so impressed with the idea that **'Rent is in Price'** because Beckwith, Willcox, Jorgensen et al publish big papers and books, largely to spread such economic fallacy, that he thinks without it he would have no George or weapons to fight profiteers, the gas tax, low wages, poverty, and war: that is, he could no longer point to rent as the root of all evil. But, notwithstanding L.D.B., George used that adjective **'monopoly'** before his rent, which being privately collected, and being the cause of all impoverishing taxes—restores the rent weapon—PLUS!—if he will only use it as prescribed.

Bureaucracy has to yield to Constitutional government, a government of law as opposed to a government of men. This will hearten our military forces as there will be less attention to political chicanery and more attention to winning of the war. Tens of thousands of patriotic Americans have gone to their knees in prayer for a national awakening and the election returns indicate that such an awakening is in sight, but for a spirtiual and moral awakening that always quickens the civic senses of the people. We hope it is near at hand.
—The Hot Springs, New Mexico, Herald.

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Check Up ! Cause Of Health

If doctors only knew what they think they know, they would not be so puzzled by the aspects of disease.

If the patients only know how little the doctors really know, they would not be so ready to rush to the doctors when they don't feel well.

Here is a doctor, writing in a little periodical, who says, "Health is the result of Normal Nerve Function".

Now didn't that doctor think he'd said somehing when he said that. But he didn't say **What is the cause of Normal Nerve Function.**

As a matter of fact; he didn't know. He further says:

"When disease appears, it is evidence that the force causing health has diminished in its activity. Something is interfering with the normal nerve currents essential to normal structure and action."

If we can find that "something" and remove it, then "normal nerve function" is restored, and ipso facto health results.

And here we go round and round, doing much but getting nowhere, always patching but finding new holes faster than we can patch the old ones.

What a game. Puzzling to the doctor and expensive to the patient.

What is the cause of normal nerve function? Good Health is the result of normal nerve function, and normal nerve function is the result of good health.

If you build health, normal nerve function will appear. Normal nerve function is not the cause of health, but the EVIDENCE of health.

Old Adam and Noah had normal nerve function because they had good health. They built health and let nerve function take care of itself.

If you worry less about nerve function and more about building health, you will be more likely to have good health.

You don't build health by running to the doctors. If that were the road to health, no one should ever be ill.

Check up and you will see that Back to Nature is the Healthful Life, and you will travel the highway to health only when you travel the highway back to Nature.—How To Live.

"STATE and STATEISM"

Because the words "state" and "stateism" are now so much used in political and economic discussions, it is well that we should know what they mean. They are good words to add to our vocabulary.

Used in this generic way, the term state means the government of a nation, the sovereign political power not subject to any external power. Thus the United States of America is a state. The state of Nebrsaka in this sense is not a state, but a subdivision of a state.

The term state is more expressive than the term government. In England, for example, the government is the group of men in control—the premier and his cabinet. The state is the British sovereignty.

Stateism—the dictionary spells it "statism", but we find that most writers and publications are putting an "e" in it —is the term used for the philosophy or policy of the state assuming more and more power over production and distribution and other things affecting the lives of the people.

In Russia, we see complete control by the state under state ownership of the means of production. In Germany, complete control by the state is exercised under private ownership. These systems are distinguished by different names, but both are statesim. Their effect on the people is essentially the same.

The world-wide trend for many years has been toward stateism. It is not a new tendency. The ancient Kingdom of Israel fell apart and finally disintegrated because of an overgrowth of stateism under King Solomon. The develpement of stateism was the cause of the decline and fall of the Roman Empire.

Real freedom lies in the people doing things for themselves, in the free play of economic forces, with the state maintaining a free and fair field. An unchecked trend to stateism always ends in the people becoming mere pawns in the hands of political masters.—Nebraska Union Farmer.

Maas Scores U. S. Effort In Pacific

RICHMOND, Va.— Rep. Melvin J. Maas, (R-Minn), a colonel in the marine corps reserve who recently returned from active duty in the South Pacific, has stated America is losing the war in the Pacific and charged that Washington has mislead the people in regard to some of our "victories" over the Japanese.

Rep. Maas, speaking at an Amistice day rally here, asserted that the only way to victory is in a single coordinated war plan backed up by one unified command.

The congressman declared that Gen. Doolittle's raid on Tokyo was successful, but "not one single plane ever got back," although many of the fliers did.

The sinking of four Allied crusiers in the early stages of the Solomons battle, he said, was "one of the worst naval disasters in our history", comparable to Pearl Harbor, because the American fleet was forewarned yet did nothing to defend itself. He said the Japs blasted the crusiers to the bottom in eight minutes without an American ship firing a return shot.

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Friends Of Democracy Sued

NEW YORK— Merwin K. Hart, president of the New York State Economic council, has disclosed that he has filed a million dollar libel suit at Utica, N. Y., agaist the Friends of Democracy, Inc., and its guiding officers, including L. M. Birkhead, director; Rex Stout, president, and Arthur J. Goldsmith. Birkhead is a former Kansas City preacher.

A recent letter soliciting funds for the organization, Hart charges, named him with others under the subhead, "More than 200 American quislings are still acitve", Hart alleged. The letter was circulated over Stout's signature.

Bartle Gorman of Utica, attorney, asserted the "quisling" appellation is tantamount to calling one a traitor to his country because Vidakun Quisling had turned against his native Norway to aid the Nazis.

Goal Is Free Agriculture

The proposal to fix farm wages by governmental regulation at a level to compete with industrial wages is very dangerous. At anything like parity prices for farm products, farmers could not pay such wages. No business standing on its own feet can compete with the wages being paid in war-production plants. Setting farm wages at a level to compete with war-plant wages would require a farm-wage subsidy—and there is the danger.

A subsidized agriculture must necessarily be controlled agriculture. Subsidies require administration and compliance. Our goal is a free agriculture, not an agriculture enslaved by bureaucratic regulation. To have such a free agriculture calls for getting rid of present subsidy schemes, not adding more of them.

Farmers should be able to pay better wages, and they would be able to do so if they were not so busy contributing to high wages, salaries, and profits in other lines—that is, if they were not being exploited. But the artificial and fantastic wages being paid in war-production plants should not be the yardstick.

It is the height of economic absurdity to talk about bringing farm wages up to the level of present war-plant wages. What needs to be done is to cut the grossly-excessive cost of war equipment and supplies on which these outlandish war-plant wages are based. Wage parity should be at basic levels, not at artificial levels. The government cannot subsidize everybody.—L. S. Herron, Nebr. Union Farmer.

ORGANIZED LABOR IN EFFECT (Continued from Page 1)

unions and their members because a few skunks have succeeded in utilizing a number of labor organizations for personal gain is to do honest men within the ranks of such organizations a grave injustice.

True, labor unions conducted on the principles they are today cannot hope to solve the problems with which labor, organized and unorganized, is confronted. Erroneously assuming the fixed number of available jobs to be a natural condition, labor unions seek to limit the fulfillment of jobs to members of their organizations and to prescribe the conditions under which they work. Naturally this course brings organized labor into conflict with employers and non-union workers, hence there are strikes, lockouts, riots and the endangering of ill feeling among those who would under normal conditions be peaceful citizens.

The reason jobs are apparently limited is because stupid laws bar workers from access to natural resources the basis of all employment. The opportunity to labor of their own free will being denied workers limits the available number of jobs, keen competition for which brings on the serious labor disturbances that so frequently hamper indutry and shock the normal sense.

Obviously, the solution of the labor problem is not the restriction of employment to members of labor organizations but the freeing of natural resources, the basis of all employment, from monopolistic control. When this has been done, when labor and captial have free access to natural resources such as gas, oil, coal, iron, copper and all other mineral deposits, water, waterpower rights, forests, urban and agricultural land, available jobs will always be in excess of workers, thus automatically removing the cause that gives birth to the labor union.

Organizde labor can perform no greater service in behalf of workers, union and non-union alike, than to give heed to the part land (natural resources) plays in human affairs. Until this has been done and the relationship between man and land is better understood than it is today, there is little hope of bettering conditions under which all labor is performed.

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